

Amendments To The Claims

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for providing enhanced content for play across multiple play platforms, comprising the steps of:

delivering media content to a client device;

determining whether the media content is enhanced media content;

identifying a first link to enhanced content when it is determined that the media content is enhanced media content;

identifying a default link when it is determined that the media content is not enhanced media content;

providing access over a network to one of the first link and the second link;

delivering HTML content over ~~[[a]]~~ the network to a client device, the HTML content being accessible and usable by a plurality of client device platforms;

activating a browser to access the HTML content, the browser being located on and compatible for use with the client device;

activating firmware on the client device to access the media content; and
incorporating the accessed HTML content with the accessed media content.

Claim 2 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising accessing content recorded onto a recording medium by calling one of a plurality of directories, the directory being suitable for use with a platform of the client device.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim 2 wherein more than one of the plurality of directories include additional HTML content.

Claim 4 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 2 wherein the directories contain JavaScript files.

Claim 5 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 2 wherein the directories comply with ISO-9660 standards.

Claim 6 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim 2 wherein the plurality of directories contain each contains a set of platform specific code segments where each set is usable by at least a different one of a plurality of different client device platforms.

Claim 7 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 2 wherein the directories support hybrid Windows/Macintosh discs, preserving resource forks for Macintosh operating systems.

Claim 8 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 3 wherein the additional HTML content is provided via a portable storage medium.

Claim 9 (cancelled)

Claim 10 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the network is the Internet.

Claim 11 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the HTML content is overlaid onto the media content.

Claim 12 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the HTML content is in the form of textual script, which scrolls in synchronization with the playback of the media content.

Claim 13 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the HTML content scrolls synchronously with the media content and wherein selecting a portion of the HTML content navigates the user to a corresponding location in the media content.

Claim 14 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the HTML content is in the form of an HTML page that starts a movie and checks for related Internet sites.

Claim 15 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the HTML content includes a page that links to a website.

Claim 16 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising accessing additional HTML content that comprises a plurality of HTML files for accommodating a plurality of platforms of client devices.

Claim 17 (currently amended): A method for enhancing multimedia content, comprising the steps of:

- providing a recording medium;
- recording multimedia content onto the recording medium;
- retrieving HTML content from a network;
- integrating the HTML content with the multimedia content;
- accessing the integrated multimedia content and HTML content, and

playing the integrated multimedia content and HTML content having been accessed;

wherein the HTML content is in the form of textual content that scrolls in synchronization with the multimedia content as the media content is accessed.

Claim 18 (previously presented): A method for enhancing multimedia content as recited in claim 17 further including the step of recording additional HTML content onto the recording medium.

Claim 19 (currently amended): A method for enhancing multimedia content as recited in claim 17 wherein the multimedia content is DVD content accessed by DVD firmware on a client device, wherein the method further comprises:

determining whether the DVD includes an initial HTML content; and initially accessing a local default home page when the DVD does not contain the initial HTML content, where the ~~HTML content~~ local default home page is stored locally on the client device and not available through the DVD, and the local default home page is used to implement the retrieving of the HTML content from the network.

Claim 20 (previously presented): A method for enhancing multimedia content as recited in claim 17 wherein the multimedia content is DVD content accessed by DVD firmware on a client device and wherein the HTML content is provided from a remote server via the network.

Claim 21 (currently amended): A method for enhancing multimedia content as recited in claim 17, wherein:

the multimedia content is DVD content;

the textual content of the HTML content is a textual script of the DVD content; and

selection of a portion of the textual script navigates the multimedia content to a corresponding location in the multimedia content.

Claim 22 (previously presented): A method for enhancing multimedia content as recited in claim 18 wherein the multimedia content is DVD content and wherein accessing the multimedia content activates the additional HTML content, linking the user to a server providing the HTML content corresponding to the multimedia content.

Claim 23 (previously presented): A method for enhancing multimedia content as recited in claim 17 wherein the playing of the multimedia content comprises sending events that allow the HTML content to be synchronized with the multimedia.

Claims 24-54 (cancelled)

Claim 55 (previously presented): A method as recited in claim 23, wherein the events comprise notification of various playback conditions.

Claim 56 (currently amended): A software system stored on a computer readable medium comprising:

a medium that embodies a computer program for input to a computer; and
a computer program stored on the medium comprising codes for causing the computer to perform steps comprising:

~~code to deliver~~ delivering media content to a client device;

~~code to deliver~~ delivering HTML content over a distributed network to a client device, the HTML content being accessible and usable by a plurality of client device platforms;

~~code to activate~~ activating a browser to access the HTML content, the browser being located on and compatible for use with the client device;

~~code to activate~~ activating firmware on the client device to access the media content; and

~~code to incorporate~~ incorporating the accessed HTML content with the accessed media content.

Claim 57 (previously presented): The software system as recited in claim 56, wherein the media content is stored on the computer-readable medium.

Claim 58 (currently amended): The software system as recited in claim 56, wherein the computer program further causes the computer to perform steps further comprising:

~~code to access~~ accessing additional HTML content stored on the computer-readable medium.

Claim 59 (currently amended): The software system as recited in claim 58, wherein the multimedia content and the additional HTML content are stored in multiple directories compatible with multiple client device platforms where the plurality of directories each contains a set of platform specific executable codes where each set is usable by at least a different one of a plurality of different client device platforms and a general purpose platform that contains a set of general purpose executable codes that is usable by one or more additional client device platforms in addition to the plurality of different client device platforms.

Claim 60 (currently amended): The software system as recited in claim 56, wherein the computer program further causes the computer to perform steps further comprising:
~~code to access~~ accessing additional HTML content stored on the client device.

Claim 61 (previously presented): The software system as recited in claim 56, wherein the computer-readable medium is a DVD.

Claim 62 (new): The method of claim 1, wherein the determining whether the media content is enhanced media content comprises determining whether a predefined enhanced content is associated with the media content, wherein the predefined enhanced content operates as a container internet page during standard playback of the media content and enables event handlers to be loaded and activated to handle events during playback.

Claim 63 (new): The method of claim 1, wherein the default link is retrieved from memory of the client device and not accessible from the media content and not available from a medium storing the media content.

Claim 64 (new): The method of claim 63, wherein the delivering HTML content comprises:
identifying the media content;
supplying the identification of the media content to an enhanced content source accessible through the default link such that the enhanced content source can identify the HTML content that is associated with the identification of the media content.

Claim 65 (new): The method of claim 1, wherein the media content comprises an initial enhanced content page that starts playback of the media content.

Claim 66 (new): The method of claim 1, wherein the HTML content comprises a media content menu that provides navigate through the media content at a finer granularity than chapters within the media content.

Claim 67 (new): The method of claim 17, wherein the retrieving HTML content from a network and the integrating the HTML content with the multimedia content comprises activating the retrieving and the integrating of the HTML content without user interaction.

Claim 68 (new): The method of claim 6, wherein the set of platform specific code segments comprise platform specific executable codes that override a standard network browser.

Claim 69 (new): The method of claim 13, wherein the HTML content comprises textual representations of at least a portion of the media content such that a selection of a textual representation of a corresponding scene in the HTML content causes the client device to playback the corresponding scene in the media content.

Claim 70 (new): The method of claim 69, wherein the textual representation of the portion of the media content comprises a screenplay of the portion of the media content.